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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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WEATHER Near normal temperatures prevailed through the week with scattered frost in western and central sections of the State on Sunday morning. The first two days were cloudy with scattered showers totaling up to one-quarter inch. The final five days were good harvest or pre-harvest days with considerable sunshine and low humidity. Saturday was rather windy.

CROPS Dry fields permitted farmers to resume full-scale field work with much activity directed toward drilling fall grains and harvesting hay and silage. Combining grain sorghum became more widespread as moisture content of the grain declined.

Most wheat has been drilled in the western counties and seeding is well along in the east. About 80 percent of the wheat in the State is planted. This is a week behind the earlier drilling done last fall but above average. Heavy rains have resulted in some replanting. The crop is coming up and is growing rapidly. About 80 percent of the winter barley is seeded. Rye planting is about finished.

Row crops matured a little slower during the week but remained ahead of normal. Two-thirds of the corn was rated mature and safe from frost. Corn picking is on a limited scale but many growers were preparing to move into the fields.

Sorghum grain harvest gained momentum. Some reported difficulties with green heads on late shoots. Soybeans have been maturing rapidly and harvest is getting underway. A few fields are quite late and harvest may be dragged out. In western Nebraska, dry bean harvest was about finished. The fall crop of potatoes is being harvested. Harvest of safflower started in the Panhandle.

Ranges, pastures, cut meadows and alfalfa fields continue to make rapid fall growth. Forage and roughage supplies are much improved. The fourth cutting of alfalfa is at the two-thirds mark. A fifth cutting may be obtained from some fields. Fall seeded legumes and grasses have made exceptionally good progress.

LIVESTOCK Livestock continue in good condition. Movement of feeder cattle apparently has been slowed down by improved pasture and range feed conditions.

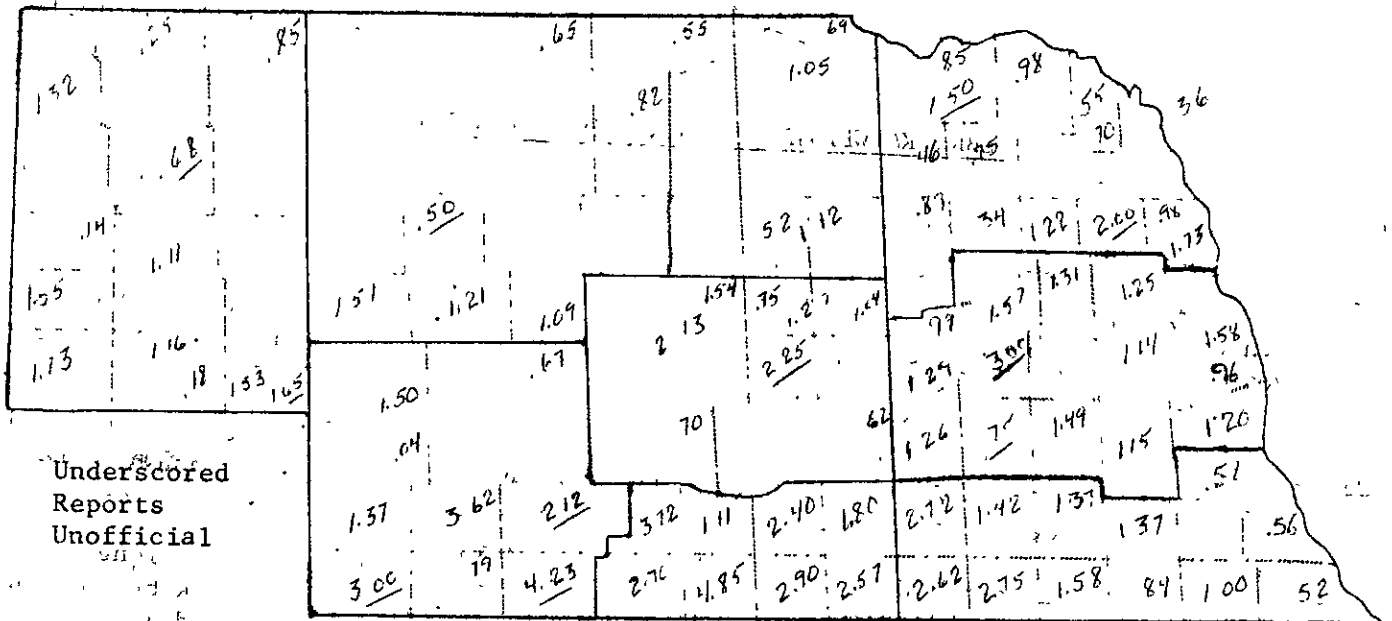
WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1963

<u>East</u>		<u>Central</u>		<u>West</u>	
Grand Island	.02	Burwell	.05	Chadron	.06
Lincoln	.18	North Platte	.00	Imperial	.00
Norfolk	.00	Valentine	.20	Scottsbluff	.12
Omaha	.05			Sidney	.12
Sioux City	.02				

Precipitation, April 1 - September 27, 1963

	NW	NC	NE	CEN	EC	SW	SC	SE
Total past week	.82	.82	.77	1.10	1.15	1.21	2.51	1.32
Total since April 1	13.50	17.95	20.20	19.00	22.00	16.10	19.50	22.20
Normal since April 1	12.59	15.29	18.35	16.63	19.72	14.30	17.06	21.52

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 27, 1963



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURE

(Highs for 24 hours ending at 12:01 a.m., and
lows for 12 hours ending at 6:00 a.m., GST)

		September													
		24th		25th		26th		27th		28th		29th		30th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	89	55	76	43	83	46	89	47	91	51	63	35	83	49
	Scottsbluff	86	52	75	45	82	46	87	48	88	50	67	40	80	43
	Sidney	75	55	74	44	79	45	84	51	85	50	65	35	78	44
NC	Burwell	81	56	80	47	77	46	81	46	82	53	64	35	72	--
	Valentine	82	60	77	45	78	51	87	48	87	54	62	35	76	46
NE	Norfolk	77	60	75	54	75	45	80	58	90	51	68	39	71	47
	Sioux City	69	57	75	55	76	48	80	57	86	53	69	41	69	44
CEN	Grand Island	80	58	75	50	75	45	77	51	87	52	68	37	68	43
EC	Lincoln	78	58	78	58	75	53	80	58	87	61	75	45	71	50
	Omaha	72	58	79	57	76	55	79	53	84	55	73	43	69	44
SW	Imperial	82	--	77	46	80	49	88	49	89	49	70	34	78	44
	North Platte	81	59	77	45	78	49	81	50	88	46	65	32	71	42

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